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RESEARCH WORK FOR AGRICULTURE IN NON-IRRIGATED AREAS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) had undertaken any research work for the development of agriculture in non-irrigated areas and in desert prone States of the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTILAL BHURIA)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The ICAR Institutes, viz., Central Research Institute for Dryland Agriculture, Hyderabad; Central Arid Zone Research Institute, Jodhpur; Central Institute for Arid Horticulture, Bikaner and National Research Centre on Camel, Bikaner have undertaken research to address different issues of rainfed and arid agriculture encompassing sand dune stabilization, Watershed management/rainwater harvesting, rangeland/pasture management, Integrated nutrient and pest management, drought mitigation, crop diversification and animal husbandry etc.